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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP 2878
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q67564

Yoshiyuki ISHII, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/060,148

Group Art Unit: 2878

Confirmation No.: 9744

Examiner: Stephen K. Yam

Filed: February 1, 2002

For: APPARATUS FOR DETECTING LIGHT-TRANSMISSIVE SHEET-LIKE BODY

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 30, 2003, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

This Response, submitted in response to the Office Action dated July 30, 2003, is believed to be fully responsive to each point of rejection raised therein. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-17 remain pending in the application. Claims 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 11, 13 and 15-17 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated Halter (U.S.P. 6,323,954). Claims 3-4, 12 and 14 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over

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